COLUMBIA RIVER COMPACT/JOINT STATE ACTION NOTICE

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

October 15, 2013

The Compact met today and took the following action:

2013 Non-Indian Commercial Fishery	
Season #1:	6:00 AM to 6:00 PM Wednesday October 16 (12 hours each) 6:00 AM to 6:00 PM Friday October 18
	6:00 AM to 6:00 PM Monday October 21
Area:	Zones 1-3 (SMCRA 1A, 1B, 1C). Upper deadline defined as a straight line projected from the Warrior Rock Lighthouse on the Oregon shore easterly through the green navigation Buoy #1 and continuing to the Washington shore
Sanctuaries:	Elokomin-A, Cowlitz River, Kalama-A and Lewis-A
Gear:	Drift nets only. 6-inch maximum mesh. Unslackened floater drift net.
Season #2:	7 PM Thursday October 17 to 7AM Friday October 18 (12 hours each)
	7 PM Sunday October 20 to 7AM Monday October 21
	7 PM Tuesday October 22 to 7AM Wednesday October 23
	7 PM Thursday October 24 to 7AM Friday October 25
Area:	Zones 4-5 (SMCRA 1D, 1E). Lower deadline defined as a straight line projected from the Warrior Rock Lighthouse on the Oregon shore easterly through the green navigation Buoy #1 and continuing to the Washington shore
Sanctuaries:	Sandy and Washougal Rivers
Gear:	Drift nets only. 8-inch minimum mesh size restriction.
The following applies to both seasons	
Allowable Sales:	Chinook, coho and pink salmon and shad. White sturgeon and chum salmon may not be possessed or sold.
Additional Rules:	Multiple net rule in effect : Nets not specifically authorized for use in this fishery may be onboard the vessel if properly stored. A properly stored net is defined as a net on a drum that is fully covered by a tarp (canvas or plastic) and bound with a minimum of ten revolutions of rope with a diameter of 3/8 (0.375) inches or greater.
	Lighted Buoys: Nets that are fished at any time between official sunset and official sunrise must have lighted buoys on both ends of the net unless the net is attached to the boat. If the net is attached to the boat, then one lighted buoy on the opposite end of the net from the boat is required
	24-hour quick reporting required is for Washington wholesale dealers, per WAC 220-69-240.

Future Hearings: Although no hearings are currently scheduled, Tuesday October 22 has been identified as the next potential hearing date.